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Title: MICRO-ELECTRO-MECHANICAL VARIABLE OPTICAL

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Enclosed are the following papers, including those required to receive a filing date under 37 CFR §1.53(b):

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Specification	39
Claims	12
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Enclosures:

- New disclosure information, including:
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 PTO-1449, 1 pages.
 - References, 3 items.
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